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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to a restriction requirement mailed September 23, 2004. A petition for a three month extension of time accompanies this paper. Accordingly, this paper is timely filed.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.